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SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Observance of untouchability in any form by the people is an offence in this country. Will the Government extend the same principle to Gods and punish them also if they observe pollution?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : I cannot understand why the hon. Member is putting this question. There is no untouchability among Gods.

MR. SPEAKER : With the permission of the House, the question time will be extended by ten minutes.

Impersonation in Examination Hall

* 2937 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether any person was arrested for attempted impersonation in the University Examination Hall during the month of March 1955?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : No person was arrested in the University Examination Hall during the month of March 1955 for attempted impersonation.

Trawler system of fishing

* 2938 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR (on behalf of Sri K. P. Gopalan) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the trawler system of fishing was recommended for Malabar in the Post-War Development Scheme; and

(*b*) if so, whether this system has been introduced in Malabar and if not, why?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) & (*b*) The trawler system of fishing was not recommended for Malabar district under Post-War Development Schemes. The Department has had no trawler since 1932 to conduct trawling in either the West Coast or the East Coast.

Deaths due to smallpox and chicken-pox

* 2939 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR (on behalf of Sri K. P. Gopalan) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the number of people that died on account of smallpox and chicken-pox in Azikkode amsom in Chirakkal taluk, North Malabar, since June 1955 up-to-date?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : The number of people that died from smallpox in Azikkode amsom since June 1955 up to 24th September 1955 is 15. There were no deaths from chicken-pox.